

For the Journal.

SEN. EDITORS: The annual exhibition of the "Union School" took place Tuesday last, at their School where a goodly number of ladies and gentlemen had been invited to witness the examination of the pupils, and to be early at their post, well prepared to perform their part exercises of the day. I have never witnessed a more successful and profitable school examination than this. The happy and really beautiful faces. Neither have I attended a school examination where the pupils were prepared with thoroughly learned lessons. The exercises consisted of recitations, songs, singing and declamations, all of which were well done. In some of these exercises the Rev. A. P. Repton made the

propose and add practical remarks, which it is hoped will be of service to the students.

At the close of the Examination, three prizes were pre-
sented by Thos. W. Brown, Jr., Esq., in the name of Mrs.
Hart, which this lady had most generously donated,
to the students of the highest standing in the class.
The first prize was awarded to Miss Mary Ann
Hart, to be awarded for improvement—the first for the
and the last for the boys. The Bible was awarded
to Josephine B. May, and the Half Eagles, one each, to
Miss Mary Ann Hart and Miss Elizabeth May.

Thos. W. Brown made a most happy Speech in presenting these
prizes, and in urging upon the pupils the importance of striving to
be as in this country, position was not the accident of
birth, but the result of virtue. He said that the pupils
institution, they have every inducement to aid them on
in beautiful terms to the interest manifested in

W. Barnes, the Teacher, in the name of the citizens parents, for the high degree of perfection attained by him, and his unwearying efforts in their behalf.

It will be long remembered day in the catalogue of sure days." Could more of our citizens have witnessed the advancement among the class of children who attend this School, the intelligence, the beauty and interestingness of the answers, and the promptness of the replies, it would have permitted to languish for the want of a few dollars, worthy object. Why are not our citizens more alive importance?

DRY POND.

The Fire on Monday Night.

are broke out in the lumber yard of Alex. Mitchell.

on Craven street, on Monday night last, just before eleven. The lot was full of lumber, shingles and combustible material, and there being a quantity of powder stored in a warehouse on the lot, the news of the explosion spread rapidly through the crowd which collected, and it was impossible to make any effective efforts to subdue the mob until after the powder had exploded; and when the night was subside and the crowd had dispersed, the firemen found the fire had got such headway that it was impossible to arrest it until the large house on the next lot was entirely consumed. The house being near the Progress building, the kitchen of the rear caught and was entirely consumed, together

the fences and the passage leading from the house to the kitchen. The Progress building was on fire at times and it was only by the almost super-human efforts of gentlemen who remained in the building, turning water all the time, that the building was saved. The windows were burned and broken, and the building was flooded with water, the plastering is nearly ruined. But for the extraordinary exertions of the firemen, the flames, which were at the time the press office is located, would have been consumed so much further it would have gone it is impossible for us to tell.

The editor of this paper had just fitted up the 2nd and

ties,—above the office,—for a residence, and it being necessary to remove the furniture and also the building materials, his loss is serious, apart from the damage on the building. The entire loss to him is not less than \$1,800 to \$2,000, which is partially covered by insurance.

Messrs. Mitchell & Son estimate their loss at \$2,500, which there was no insurance.

He is not apprized as to what Mr. Geo. F. Fisher's loss, but we suppose from \$400 to \$600.

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THE ALABAMA DEMOCRACY.—MONTGOMERY, June 5.

The regular Democratic Convention adopted resolutions to-day sending delegates to the Richmond Convention, with authority, however, to go to Baltimore; if the Richmond Convention should so determine. But if Baltimore Convention should refuse to reconsider the platform adopted at Charleston, and refuse to adopt, in substance, the platform of the majority of States, the delegates are instructed to withdraw again to Richmond, and there to hold a convention for the purpose of electing a President. In pursuing this course the Convention has been influenced by dispatches from Virginia and Georgia, pledging future co-operation in case the Baltimore Convention should fail to comply with their

RESTRICTIVE STORMS AT THE WEST.—LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 4.—A violent though brief storm visited this city to-day, doing some damage here and on the Lebanon branch of the Louisville and Nashville railroad deposing buildings, crops of wheat, corn and trees in fruit and marion counties.

ST. LOUIS, June 5.—A storm on Saturday last was

rely left at Alton, Illinois. The total loss will ex-
ceed \$100,000. The German Catholic Church was
a complete wreck. The Democrat office was dam-
aged. The Episcopal church lost its steeple and was other-
wise badly damaged. The stores and houses were
left full through the roof, and the building was great-
ly damaged. Much damage was also done by hail.
Many narrow escapes are reported, but no lives were
lost. Northern Missouri also suffered extensively.

seven miles east of Knoxville, killing the English-born Grant, formerly of Lynchburg, and Fire-Moody.

Georgia Democratic Convention.

MILLERSVILLE, June 5.—In accordance with a pre-understanding, the National Democracy (Disunion) met here in a convention to-night, Judge Warner presiding. The Convention re-affirmed the Cincinnati platform, declared the right of property in slaves, ended the *Dred Scott* decision, and nominated a full delegation to the Baltimore Convention. The Delegates to timor for the State at large are Judge Warner, Ex-

DEATH OF A MEMBER OF GEN'L JACKSON'S CADET.—
 SENECA, June 5.—Samuel D. Ingham, Secretary of
 the Seneca County Treasurers Association, died here to-day, aged
 70 years.

THE SLAYER WILDFIRE.—BOSTON, June 4th.—The black Wildfire, recently captured and taken into Key West, is reported as being owned by a Boston house, and anticipated clearing over \$200,000, from her cargo of slaves.

NEW HAVEN CITY ELECTION.—NEW HAVEN, CONN., June 4.—The city election took place to-day, and resulted in the choice of H. M. Welch, the democratic candidate for mayor.

RECOVERY OF A FUGITIVE.—SAVANNAH, June 5th.—

steamskip George's Creek, which arrived here today from Baltimore, brought a fugitive from Charleston, which she took from the ship Royal Victoria, a Liverpool, three days out from Charleston. The negro, whose name is not given, is a native of Charleston, and he belongs to Dr. Lamb, of Charleston, S. C.

SPECIAL ELECTION.—MR. DOUGLAS.—Washington, June 6.—B. B. French, of this city, has been elected to the House committee on claims.

Judge Douglas is soon to repair to New York city for surgical advice or treatment for a severe affection of the bronchial organs.

LOUISIANA DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.—*Baton Rouge, June 5.*—The regular democratic convention adjourned to-day. It was resolved that in case of with-
drawal from the Baltimore convention, the Louisiana delegates are authorized to unite with the Richmond convention.

NAVAL INTELLIGENCE.—*New York, June 6.*—The United States brig Perry arrived to-day from Montevideo, April 1st. She left at that port the frigate Commodore, brig Bainbridge and steamer Pulaski.